The Tale of The Clownfish and the Great Shark

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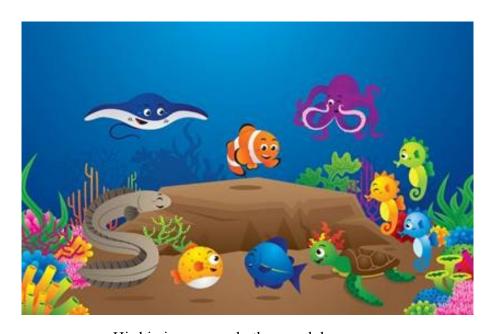
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## The Tale of The Clownfish and the Great Shark



Under the bubbles and down in the deep
Creatures reside with the secrets they keep.
One of the fish is the scariest of all,
The Great White Shark is what he is called.



His big jaw moves both up and down,

He flings his prey around and round

Then gulps them whole before they scream,

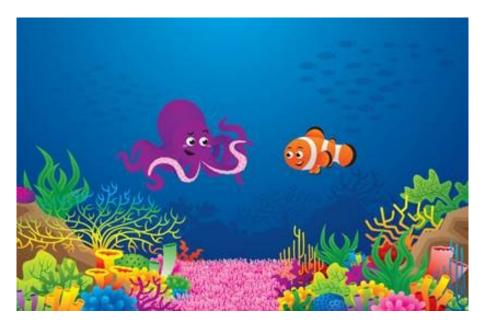
This great white shark is very mean.

Jasper's a clownfish, a joker who'd try

All he was dared without asking why.

He'd not follow rules but broke them instead,

Forgetting, quite often, the brain in his head.



Clownfish wear stripes that are orange and white

And live by the coral, quite close to the light.

They swim wild and free in the reef as they play.

Laughing and joking all hours of the day.



When Ozzie the octopus dared him to go,
And swim to the ocean bed way down below
To pilfer a tooth from the shark that was there,
Jasper swam down with not one single care.



"I'll do it, I'll do it if you dare me to!"

"We do dare! We do dare! We all do dare you!"

So Jasper swam down to the bed in the dark

To steal one sharp tooth from the huge Great White Shark.



Jasper snuck up to the place where shark slept,

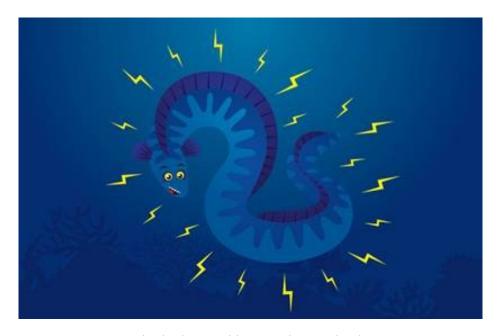
Darting and weaving the closer he crept.

When down came a net right on top of his head,

And he heard a most frightening voice and it said,

"What are you doing here, little clownfish?

I think it is high time to make your last wish!"



Jasper looked up and he saw the cruel eel.

He pulled on the net and let out a squeal,

"A clownfish for dinner, how lovely it is."

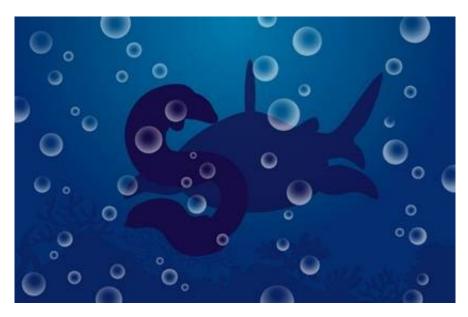
And his tail flicked and sparked an electrical whizz.

Electrolytes run down the length of the eel

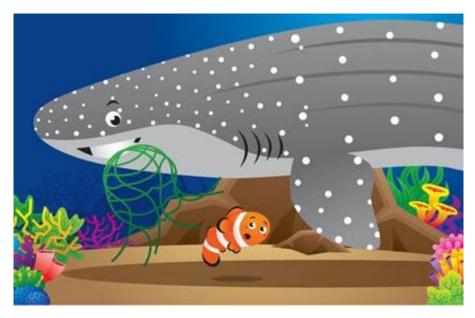
Delivering shocks that would make a shark squeal.

600 volts of electric could shoot,

Right through this fish in his stripy clown suit!



A huge splash of water like waves in the sea,
Then millions of bubbles and seaweed debris.
Off swam the eel in a sleek flash of blue
And Jasper discovered the net was gone too.

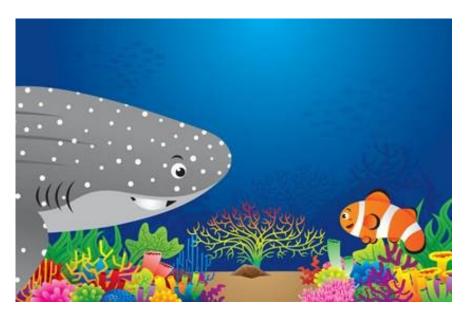


When Jasper looked back his clown eyes deceived him.

The site that he saw, no one else would believe him.

Jasper, confused did not know how to feel

The clownfish was saved by a shark from the eel,



Jasper, in shock, from the eel and the shark,
Stuttered a thank you and shook in the dark.

"You're very much welcome," the shark kindly said

"I've saved many others down here in my bed."

"You don't want to eat me?" Jasper exclaimed.

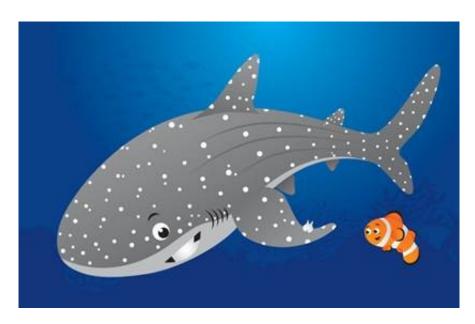
"I am a Whale Shark," the huge shark explained

He turned and he pointed towards his sea bed,

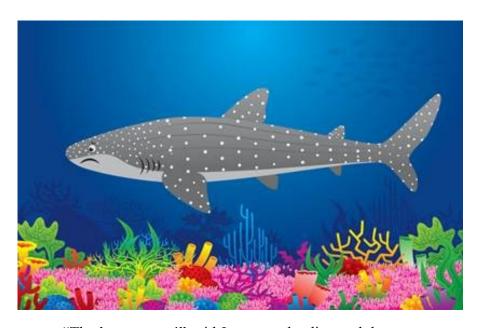
"That is my garden," The massive shark said.

"I love to eat plankton, my favorite food.

In salads and casseroles when it is stewed."



Jasper confessed, "My friends have all dared me
To take back a tooth as they all think you're scary."
The Whale Shark smiled at small Jasper and said,
"I'll give you a tooth, I've got heaps in my head!
When one tooth falls out another grows in
And this keeps on happening again and again!"



"That's awesome!" said Jasper applauding and then,

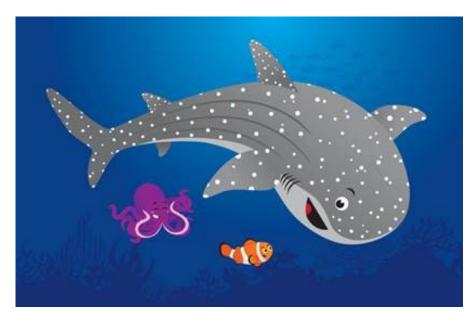
"Can I please come back here and see you again?"

"Of course. I would love that!" The Shark kindly said,

"And next time your friends can swim down to my bed.

It gets very lonely down here in the deep,

I find that good friends are not easy to keep."



So Jasper, no longer a mere doubting Thomas

From that day he vowed that he'd keep to his promise.

He swam from the reef to help make amends

To visit the shark now with all of his friends.

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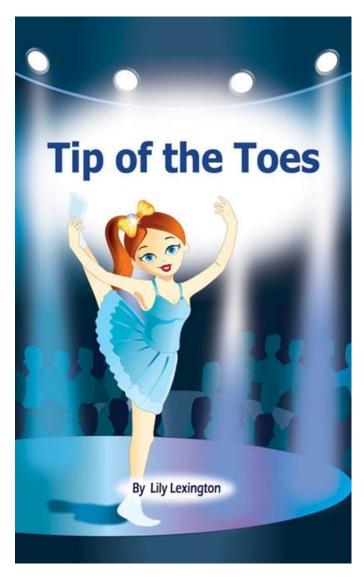
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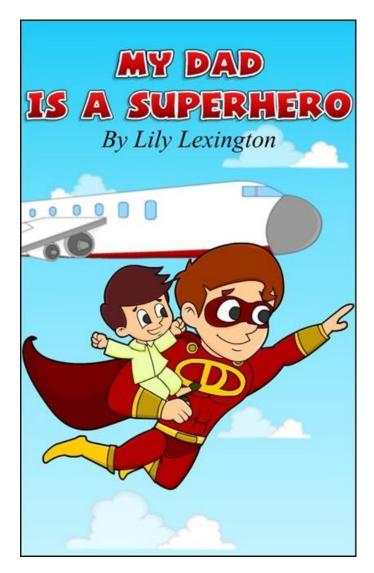
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